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Mr. Joe Yun
Department of Water Resources, DIRWM
Via email: DWR_IRWM@water.ca.gov

Subject: Proposition 84 IRWM Planning Grant Recommendation

Dear Mr. Yun:

Thank you for meeting with us yesterday. As we said at the outset, we were there to get a debriefing on our application and to better understand how we can improve our communications. On behalf of the Board, may I say that I am pleased that the Gateway Region's planning grant application has been recommended for funding and would like to express gratitude to the Department of Water Resources staff for their thorough and rigorous work.

I think it was helpful for all of us to discuss the role of our board in relation to the entire area and with disadvantaged communities. As noted, using the example of our \$10 million catch basin grant, this Board truly represents the interests of the entire region. Because many of our board members represent entire disadvantaged communities, the Gateway Region stakeholders will have a direct say in guiding, selecting, and participating in the decision-making process for both regional planning and implementation efforts.

Thank you for the discussion on our participation with neighboring IRWMs. As the planning process unfolds, we will be more specific and detailed regarding those activities. Thank you for providing us with your feedback.

Sincerely,

Annette Hubbell Gateway Authority Executive Officer

cc: Tracie Billington